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**A, a** /ei/ the first letter of the alphabet ▷ **A, a**

**a** (also **an**) strong /ei/ weak /ə/ **determiner** **1** **A1** used before a noun to refer to a single thing or person but not a particular thing or person or not one that you have referred to before: *I need a new car.* • *I saw a woman speaking to him.* **2** **A1** one: *a hundred dollars* • *a dozen eggs* ▷ **jeden** **3** **A1** every or each: *A child needs love.* • *Take one tablet three times a (= each) day.* ▷ **każdy** **4** **A1** used to say what type of thing or person something or someone is: *It's a guinea pig.* • *She's a doctor.* **5** **A2** used before some action nouns when referring to one example of the action: *I'm just going to have a wash.* • *Take a look at this.* ▷ **Często tłumaczymy formą dokonaną czasownika, np. umyć się, spojrzeć, itp.** **6** **A2** used before the first of two nouns that are often used together: *a cup and saucer* **7** **A2** used before some phrases saying how much of something there is: *a few days* • *a bit of sugar* **8** used before a person's name when referring to someone you do not know: *There's a Ms Leeming to see you.* ▷ **jakiś**

**!** Najczęściej popełniane błędy: **a** czy **the**?

**Uwaga:** Jeśli mówimy o konkretnej rzeczy, o której już wcześniej wspomniano lub którą już znamy, lub gdy tylko jedna taka rzecz istnieje, nie używamy „a” czy „an”, ale **the**:

*The hotel is in a centre of London.*  
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**!** Najczęściej popełniane błędy: **a** czy **an**?

**Uwaga!** **A** jest używane przed rzeczownikami zaczynającymi się od spółgłoski:

*a car, a teacher, a school*

Przed rzeczownikami rozpoczynającymi się od samogłosek: *a, e, i, o, i u* lub dźwięków samogłoskowych, używamy **an**:

*an orange, an important person, an hour*

**a-** /ei/ **prefix** not, without: *atypical* • *amoral* ▷ **a-**

**aback** /ə'bæk/ **adverb** **be taken aback** to be very surprised or shocked: *I was rather taken aback by her honesty.* ▷ **być zaskoczonym**

**abacus** /'æbəkəs/ **noun** [C] a square object with small balls on wires, used for counting ▷ **liczydło**

**abandon** /ə'bændən/ **verb** [T] **1** **B2** to leave someone or something somewhere, sometimes not returning to get them: *They were forced to abandon the car.* ▷ **porzucać** **2** to stop doing something before it is finished, or to stop following a plan, idea, etc: *The match was abandoned because of rain.* ▷ **zaniechać, zarzucać, rezygnować z**

• **abandoned** adjective **B2** ▷ **porzucony,**

**opuszczony** • **abandonment** noun [U]  
▷ **porzucenie, zarzucenie, rezygnacja**

**!** Wyrazy występujące razem z **abandon**  
be forced to abandon sth • abandon an attempt/effort/idea/plan/search

**abate** /ə'beɪt/ **verb** [I] formal to become less strong: *By the weekend, the storms had abated.*  
▷ **stąbnąć**

**abattoir** /'æbətwaɪ/ **noun** [C] UK (UK/US **slaughterhouse**) a place where animals are killed for meat ▷ **rzeźnia**

**abbey** /'æbi/ **noun** [C] a group of buildings that is a home for monks or nuns ▷ **opactwo**

**abbreviate** /ə'bri:vɪət/ **verb** [T] to make a word or phrase shorter: *The word 'street' is often abbreviated to 'St'.* ▷ **skracać**

**abbreviation** /ə'bri:vɪ'eɪʃən/ **noun** [C] a shorter form of a word or phrase, especially used in writing: *A doctor is often called a 'GP', an abbreviation for 'general practitioner'.* ▷ **skrót**

**abdicate** /'æbdɪkeɪt/ **verb** **1** [I] if a king or queen abdicates, they choose to stop being king or queen. ▷ **abdykować** **2** **abdicate responsibility** formal to decide not to be responsible for something any more ▷ **zrzekać się odpowiedzialności**  
• **abdication** /'æbdɪkeɪʃən/ **noun** [C, U] ▷ **abdykacja, zrzeczenie się**

**abdomen** /'æbdəmən/ **noun** [C] formal the lower part of a person or animal's body, containing the stomach and other organs ▷ **brzuch**  
• **abdominal** /'æbdəmɪnəl/ **adjective** to do with the abdomen: *abdominal pains* ▷ **brzuszy**

**abduct** /ə'bɒkt/ **verb** [T] to take someone away illegally: *He was abducted by a terrorist group.*  
▷ **porwać, uprowadzić**  
• **abduction** /ə'bɒktʃən/ **noun** [C, U] ▷ **porwanie, uprowadzenie**

**aberration** /,æbə'reɪʃən/ **noun** [C] formal a temporary change from what usually happens ▷ **odchylenie**

**abhor** /ə'hɔː/ **verb** [T] (present participle **abhorring**, past tense and past participle **abhorred**) formal to hate something or someone very much ▷ **brzydzić się**  
• **abhorrence** /ə'bɒrəns/ **noun** [U] formal ▷ **obrzydzenie, odraza**

**abhorrent** /ə'bɒrənt/ **adjective** formal morally very bad: *an abhorrent crime* ▷ **odrażający**

**abide** /ə'baɪd/ **verb** **can't abide sb/sth** to

## abiding

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strongly dislike someone or something: *I can't abide rudeness.* ▷ **nie znosić kogoś/czegoś**

PHRASAL VERB **abide by sth** to obey a rule: *Staff who refused to abide by the rules were fired.* ▷ **przestrzegać czegoś**

**abiding** /ə'baɪdɪŋ/ **adjective** [always before noun] An abiding feeling or memory is one that you have for a long time: *My abiding memory is of him watering his plants in the garden.* ▷ **niezartarty** → See also **law-abiding**

**ability** /ə'bɪləti/ **noun** [C, U] **(B)** the physical or mental skill or qualities that you need to do something: *athletic/academic ability* • [+ to do sth] *He had the ability to explain things clearly.* • *The report questions the technical ability of the staff.* ▷ **umiejętność, zdolność** → Opposite **inability** → Compare **disability**

Wyrazy występujące razem z **ability**

have/lack/possess ability • innate/remarkable/uncanny ability

**abject** /æbdʒekt/ **adjective** **1** **abject misery/poverty/terror, etc** when someone is extremely unhappy, poor, afraid, etc ▷ **skrajna rozpacz/nędza/paraliżujący strach itp.** **2** showing that you are very ashamed of what you have done: *an abject apology* ▷ **uniżony**

**ablation** /ə'bleɪʃən/ **noun** [U] the loss of ice, snow or rock from melting or erosion ▷ **ablacja**

**ablaze** /ə'bleɪz/ **adjective** [never before noun] burning strongly ▷ **rozpalony, w płomieniach**

**able** /eɪbl/ **adjective** **1** **be able to do sth** **(A)** to have the ability to do something or the possibility of doing something: *He'll be able to help you.* ▷ **móc coś zrobić, potrafić coś zrobić** → Opposite **be unable to do sth** **2** clever or good at doing something: *She's a very able student.* ▷ **zdolny**

• **ably** **adverb** *Robson, ably assisted by Anderson, has completely rebuilt the team.* ▷ **umiejętnie**

**able-bodied** /eɪbl'bɒdɪd/ **adjective** having all the physical abilities that most people have ▷ **sprawny**

**abnormal** /æb'nɔ:məl/ **adjective** different from what is normal or usual, in a way which is strange or dangerous: *abnormal behaviour/weather* • *They found abnormal levels of lead in the water.* ▷ **nietypowy, nienormalny** • **abnormally** **adverb** *abnormally high temperatures* ▷ **nietypowo, nieprawidłowo**

**abnormality** /,æbnɔ:'mæləti/ **noun** [C, U] something abnormal, usually in the body: *a genetic abnormality* ▷ **nieprawidłowość, wada**

**aboard** /ə'bɔ:d/ **adverb, preposition** on or onto a plane, ship, bus, or train: *Welcome aboard flight BA109 to Paris.* ▷ **na pokładzie**

**abode** /ə'bəʊd/ **noun** [C] formal a home ▷ **miejsce zamieszkania**

**abolish** /ə'bɒlɪʃ/ **verb** [T] **(B)** to officially end

something, especially a law or system: *National Service was abolished in Britain in 1962.*

▷ **znieść, zlikwidować**

• **abolition** /,æbə'lɪʃən/ **noun** [U] *the abolition of slavery* ▷ **zniesienie**

**abominable** /ə'bɒmɪnəbl/ **adjective** extremely bad: *abominable behaviour* ▷ **okropny**

• **abominably** **adverb** ▷ **okropnie**

**Aboriginal** /,æbə'rɪdʒɪnəl/ **adjective** relating or belonging to the original race of people who lived in Australia ▷ **aborygeński, Aborygenów**

• **Aborigine** /,æbə'rɪdʒɪni/ **noun** [C] an Aboriginal person ▷ **Aborygen/ka**

**abort** /ə'bɔ:t/ **verb** [T] **1** to stop a process before it has finished: *The take-off was aborted due to bad weather.* ▷ **przerywać** **2** to end a pregnancy that is not wanted using a medical operation ▷ **usuwać, przerywać**

**abortion** /ə'bɔ:ʃən/ **noun** [C, U] a medical operation to end a pregnancy when the baby is still too small to live: *She had an abortion.*

▷ **aborcja, przerywanie ciąży**

**abortive** /ə'bɔ:tɪv/ **adjective** [always before noun] An abortive attempt or plan fails before it is complete. ▷ **nieudany**

**the ABO system** /eɪbi:'əʊsɪstəm/ **noun** the system that divides human blood into four main groups called A, B, AB and O ▷ **grupa krwi**

**abound** /ə'baʊnd/ **verb** [I] formal to exist in large numbers: *Rumours abound about a possible change of leadership.* ▷ **mnożyć się**

**about<sup>1</sup>** /ə'baʊt/ **preposition** **1** **(A)** relating to a particular subject or person: *a book about the Spanish Civil War* • *What was she talking about?* ▷ **o** **2** UK (US **around**) **(B)** to or in different parts of a place, often without purpose or order: *We heard someone moving about the garden.* ▷ **po** **3** **what/how about ...?** **a** used to make a suggestion: *How about France for a holiday?* ▷ **co powiesz na ...?, a może (by tak) ...?** **b** **(B)** used to ask for someone's opinion on a particular subject: *What about Ann – is she nice?* ▷ **a może ...?, co sądzisz o ...?**

**about<sup>2</sup>** /ə'baʊt/ **adverb** **1** **(A)** used before a number or amount to mean approximately: *It happened about two months ago.* ▷ **około, mniej więcej** **2** UK (US **around**) **(B)** to or in different parts of a place, often without purpose or order: *She's always leaving her clothes lying about.* ▷ **dookoła** **3** UK informal (US **around**) If someone or something is about, they are near to the place where you are now: *Is Kate about?* ▷ **tu, w pobliżu** **4** **be about to do sth** **(B)** to be going to do something very soon: *I stopped her just as she was about to leave.* ▷ **mieć (właśnie) coś zrobić**

**above<sup>1</sup>** /ə'baʊv/ **adverb, preposition** **1** **(A)** in or to a higher position than something else: *There's a mirror above the washbasin.* • *I could hear music coming from the room above.* ▷ **nad** **2** **(A)** more than an amount or level: *It says on the box*

it's for children aged three and above. ◦ Rates of pay are above average. ▷ **powyżej, ponad 3** in a more important or advanced position than someone else: *Sally's a grade above me.* ▷ **nad, wyżej niż 4** too good or important for something: *No one is above suspicion in this matter.* ▷ **poza 5 above all 61** most importantly: *Above all, I'd like to thank everyone.* ▷ **przede wszystkim**

**above<sup>2</sup>** /ə'bu:v/ adjective, adverb 61 higher on the same page: *the above diagram* ◦ *the address shown above* ▷ **powyższy, powyżej, wyżej**

**above board** adjective [never before noun] honest and legal: *We hired a lawyer to make sure the agreement was all above board.* ▷ **uczciwy, zgodny z prawem**

**above the line promotion** noun [U] ways of advertising products that involve people outside the business, such as newspapers or TV ▷ **reklama medialna**

**abrasive** /ə'breɪsɪv/ adjective 1 An abrasive substance is rough and can be used for rubbing surfaces, to make them clean or smooth. ▷ **ścierny, szorstki 2** speaking or behaving in a rude and unpleasant way: *an abrasive manner* ▷ **opryskliwy, szorstki**

**abreast** /ə'breɪst/ adverb 1 keep (sb) abreast of sth to make sure you or someone else knows about the most recent changes in a subject or situation: *I'll keep you abreast of any developments.* ▷ **informować kogoś na bieżąco** ◦ **czymś, być z czymś na bieżąco 2 two/three/four, etc abreast** If people who are moving are two/three, etc abreast, that number of people are next to each other, side by side: *They were cycling four abreast, completely blocking the road.* ▷ **parami/trójkami/czwórkami itp.**

**abridged** /ə'brɪdʒd/ adjective An abridged book or other piece of writing has been made shorter. ▷ **skrócony** → Opposite **unabridged** • **abridge** /ə'brɪdʒ/ verb [T] ▷ **skracać**

**abroad** /ə'brɔ:d/ adverb 61 in or to a foreign country: *He goes abroad a lot with his job.* ▷ **za granicą, za granicę**

Wyrazy występujące razem z **abroad**

go/live/travel/work abroad • a holiday/trip abroad

**abrupt** /ə'brʌpt/ adjective 1 sudden and not expected: *Our conversation came to an abrupt end.* ▷ **nagły 2** dealing with people in a quick way that is unfriendly or rude: *She has a rather abrupt manner.* ▷ **szorstki, oschły** • **abruptly** adverb ▷ **nagle, szorstko**

**abscess** /'æbses/ noun [C] a painful, swollen area on the body which contains a yellow liquid ▷ **ropień, wrzód**

**abscond** /əb'skɒnd/ verb [I] formal to leave somewhere suddenly without permission because you want to escape, or because you have stolen something ▷ **zbiec**

**absence** /'æbsəns/ noun 1 [C, U] 62 a time when you are not in a particular place: *Lisa will be acting as manager in Phil's absence* (= while Phil is not here). ◦ *A large number of absences from work are caused by back problems.* ▷ **nieobecność 2** [U] 62 when something does not exist: *In the absence of any proof, it is impossible to accuse her.* ▷ **brak**

Wyrazy występujące razem z **absence**

a lengthy/long/prolonged absence • an absence from sth • during/in sb's absence

**absent** /'æbsənt/ adjective 61 not in the place where you are expected to be, especially at school or work: *He has been absent from school all week.* ▷ **nieobecny**

**absentee** /'æbsənti:/ noun [C] someone who is not in a place where they should be ▷ **nieobecny/a** • **absenteeism** noun [U] when someone is often absent from work or school ▷ **absencja**

**absently** /'æbsəntli/ adverb without thinking about what you are doing: *He stared absently at the television screen.* ▷ **bezmysłnie, tępo**

**absent-minded** /'æbsənt'maɪndɪd/ adjective often forgetting things ▷ **roztargniony** • **absent-mindedly** adverb ▷ **przez roztargnienie** • **absent-mindedness** noun [U] ▷ **roztargnienie**

**absolute** /'æbsəlu:t/ adjective [always before noun] 1 62 complete: *absolute power/control* ◦ *The party was an absolute disaster.* ▷ **absolutny, całkowity, zupełny 2** definite: *There was no absolute proof of fraud.* ▷ **jednoznaczny**

**absolutely** /'æbsə'lutli/ adverb 1 61 completely: *The food was absolutely delicious.* ◦ *There's absolutely nothing* (= nothing at all) left. ▷ **całkowicie, zupełnie, absolutnie 2 Absolutely.** used to strongly agree with someone: *"Do you think it helped his career?" "Absolutely."* ▷ **oczywiście, jak najbardziej 3 Absolutely not.** used to strongly disagree with someone or to agree with something negative: *"Are you suggesting that we should just ignore the problem?" "No, absolutely not."* ▷ **w żadnym wypadku**

**absolute zero** noun [U] the lowest temperature that scientists think is possible ▷ **zero bezwzględne**

**absolve** /əb'zɒlv/ verb [T] formal to formally say that someone is not guilty of something, or to forgive someone ▷ **przebaczając, rozgrzeszać**

**absorb** /əb'zɔ:b/ verb [T] 1 62 If a substance absorbs a liquid, it takes it in through its surface and holds it: *The fabric absorbs all the moisture, keeping your skin dry.* ▷ **wchłaniać 2 be absorbed in sth 62** to give all your attention to something that you are doing: *Simon was so absorbed in his computer game, he didn't notice me come in.* ▷ **być pochłoniętym czymś 3** to understand and remember facts that you read

## absorbent

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or hear: *It's hard to absorb so much information.*

▷ **przyswajać sobie** 4 62 If something is absorbed into something else, it becomes part of it: *The drug is quickly absorbed into the bloodstream.* ▷ **wchłaniać się**

• **absorption** /əb'zɔ:pʃən/ noun [U] ▷ **wchłanianie**

**absorbent** /əb'zɔ:bənt/ adjective An absorbent substance can take liquids in through its surface and hold them. ▷ (**dobrze**) **wchłaniający, chłonny**

• **absorbency** /əb'zɔ:bəntsi/ noun [U] ▷ **chłonność**

**absorbing** /əb'zɔ:ɪŋ/ adjective very interesting: *an absorbing book/game* ▷ **zajmujący**

**abstain** /əb'steɪn/ verb [I] 1 formal to not do something that you enjoy because it is bad or unhealthy: *The doctor suggested that he abstain from alcohol.* ▷ **unikać, wystrzegać się** 2 to choose not to vote for or against something: *63 members voted in favour, 39 opposed and 5 abstained.* ▷ **wstrzymać się od głosu**

• **abstention** /əb'stenʃən/ noun [C, U] ▷ **wstrzymanie się od głosu, głos wstrzymujący**

**abstinence** /'æbstɪnəns/ noun [U] formal when you do not do something that you enjoy because it is bad or unhealthy ▷ **abstynencja, powstrzymanie się**

**abstract** /'æbstrækt/ adjective 1 62 relating to ideas and not real things: *an abstract concept* ▷ **abstrakcyjny** 2 62 Abstract art involves shapes and colours and not images of real things or people. ▷ **abstrakcyjny**

**absurd** /əb'zɜ:d/ adjective 62 very silly: *an absurd situation/suggestion* ▷ **absurdalny**

• **absurdity** noun [C, U] ▷ **absurd, absurdalność** • **absurdly** adverb ▷ **absurdalnie**

**abundance** /ə'bʌndəns/ noun [U, no plural] formal a lot of something: *an abundance of flowers* • *There was food in abundance (= a lot of food).* ▷ **obfitość, ≈ pod dostatkiem**

**abundant** /ə'bʌndənt/ adjective existing in large quantities: *an abundant supply of food* ▷ **obfity**

• **abundantly** adverb ▷ **obficie**

**abuse**<sup>1</sup> /ə'bju:z/ noun 1 [C, U] 62 when something is used for the wrong purpose in a way that is harmful or morally wrong: *drug/alcohol abuse* • *abuse of public money* ▷ **nadużywanie, nadużycie** 2 [U] 62 violent, cruel treatment of someone: *child abuse* • *sexual abuse* ▷ **przemoc** 3 [U] rude and offensive words said to another person: *Rival fans shouted abuse at each other.* ▷ **obelgi**

**abuse**<sup>2</sup> /ə'bju:z/ verb [T] 1 to treat someone cruelly and violently: *He was physically abused by his alcoholic father.* ▷ **znęcać się nad** 2 to use something for the wrong purpose in a way that is harmful or morally wrong: *to abuse alcohol* ▷ **nadużywać** 3 to say rude and offensive words to someone: *The crowd started abusing him.* ▷ **ubliżać**

• **abuser** noun [C] ▷ **nadużywając-y/a, znęcając-y/a się**

**abusive** /ə'bju:sɪv/ adjective saying rude and offensive words to someone: *an abusive phone call* ▷ **obraźliwy, obelżywy**

**abysmal** /ə'bɪzməl/ adjective very bad, especially of bad quality: *the team's abysmal performance last season* ▷ **beznadziejny**

• **abysmally** adverb ▷ **beznadziejnie**

**abyss** /ə'bɪs/ noun [C] 1 a very bad situation which will not improve: [usually singular] *The country is sinking into an abyss of violence and bloodshed.* ▷ **otchłań** 2 literary a very deep hole ▷ **przepaść, otchłań**

**abysmal** /ə'bɪsəl/ adjective found at the bottom of deep oceans ▷ **głębinowy**

**AC** /,eɪ'si:/ noun [U] abbreviation for alternating current: electrical current which regularly changes the direction in which it moves ▷ **AC (prąd przemienny)** → Compare **DC**

**.ac** /dɒt'æk/ Internet abbreviation for academic institution: used in some internet addresses for organizations such as universities ▷ **w adresach internetowych oznacza domenę akademicką**

**academia** /,ækə'di:mɪə/ noun [U] the people and organizations, especially universities, involved in studying ▷ **środowisko akademickie, świat akademicki**

**academic**<sup>1</sup> /,ækə'demɪk/ adjective 1 62 related to education, schools, universities, etc: *academic ability/standards* • *It's the start of the academic year.* ▷ **akademicki** 2 related to subjects which involve thinking and studying and not technical or practical skills: *academic subjects* ▷ (**czysto**) **naukowy, teoretyczny** 3 clever and good at studying ▷ **zdolny** 4 If what someone says is academic, it has no purpose because it relates to a situation that does not exist: *The whole discussion is academic since management won't even listen to us.* ▷ **czysto teoretyczny, akademicki**

• **academically** adverb ▷ **naukowo, akademicko**

**academic**<sup>2</sup> /,ækə'demɪk/ noun [C] someone who teaches at a university or college, or is paid to study there ▷ **naukowiec, pracownik naukowy**

**academy** /ə'kædəmi/ noun [C] 1 a college which teaches people the skills needed for a particular job: *a military academy* ▷ **akademia** 2 an organization whose purpose is to encourage and develop an art, science, language, etc: *the Royal Academy of Music* ▷ **akademia**

**accelerate** /ək'seləreɪt/ verb 1 [I] to start to drive faster ▷ **przyspieszać** 2 [I, T] to start to happen more quickly, or to make something start to happen more quickly: *Inflation is likely to accelerate this year.* ▷ **przyspieszać**

• **acceleration** /ək'selə'reɪʃən/ noun [U] ▷ **przyspieszenie**

**accelerator** /ək'selə'reɪtə/ noun [C] (also US **gas**)



**pedal**) the part of a car which you push with your foot to make it go faster ▷ **gaz, pedał gazu** → See **Car** on page Centre 7

**accent** /'æksənt/ **noun** [C] **1** **81** the way in which someone pronounces words, influenced by the country or area they come from, or their social class: *an American accent* ◦ *a French accent* ▷ **wymowa, akcent 2** **82** a mark above a letter to show you how to pronounce it, for example (â) and (é) ▷ **akcent 3** the word or part of a word that you emphasize when you are speaking: *In the word 'impossible' the accent is on the second syllable.* ▷ **akcent 4** the **accent on sth** particular importance or attention that you give to something: *a wonderful menu with the accent on fresh fish* ▷ **nacisk na coś**

**Wyrazy występujące razem z accent**

have/speak with a [local/northern/strong, etc] accent • lose your accent • a heavy/strong/thick accent

**accentuate** /ək'sentʃueɪt/ **verb** [T] to emphasize something so that people notice it: *make-up to accentuate the eyes* ▷ **podkreślać**

**accept** /ək'sept/ **verb** **1** [I, T] **81** to agree to take something that is offered to you: *to accept an invitation/offer* ◦ *He won't accept advice from anyone.* ▷ **przyjmować, akceptować 2** [T] **82** to admit that something is true, often something unpleasant: [+ (that)] *He refuses to accept that he's made a mistake.* ▷ **przyjmować do wiadomości 3** [T] **82** to allow someone to join an organization or become part of a group: *She's been accepted by two universities.* ▷ **przyjmować 4** **accept responsibility/blame 82** to admit that you caused something bad that happened: *The company has now accepted responsibility for the accident.* ▷ **brać (na siebie) odpowiedzialność/winę 5** [T] to understand that you cannot change a very sad or unpleasant situation: *The hardest part is accepting the fact that you'll never see that person again.* ▷ **zaakceptować**

**acceptable** /ək'septəbl/ **adjective** **1** **81** good enough: *work of an acceptable standard* ◦ *We still hope to find a solution which is acceptable to both sides.* ▷ **do przyjęcia 2** allowed or approved of: *Smoking is less and less socially acceptable.* ▷ **akceptowany** → Opposite **unacceptable**

• **acceptability** /ək'septə'bɪləti/ **noun** [U] ▷ **dopuszczalność**

**acceptance** /ək'septəns/ **noun** [C, U] when you accept something: *his acceptance of the award* ◦ *There is a growing public acceptance of alternative medicine.* ▷ **przyjęcie, akceptacja, przyzwolenie**

**Wyrazy występujące razem z acceptance**

sb/sth gains/wins acceptance • general/growing/grudging/public acceptance • acceptance of sth

**accepted** /ək'septɪd/ **adjective** agreed or approved by most people: *an accepted spelling* ▷ **przyjęty**

**access**<sup>1</sup> /'ækses/ **noun** [U] **1** **81** when you have the right or opportunity to use or see something: *I don't have access to that kind of information.* ◦ *Do you have Internet access?* ▷ **dostęp 2** **81** the way in which you can enter a place or get to a place: *The only access to the village is by boat.* ▷ **dostępność, dojazd, dojście**

**access**<sup>2</sup> /'ækses/ **verb** [T] **82** to find or see information, especially using a computer: *You can access the files over the Internet.* ▷ **mieć dostęp do, docierać do**

**accessible** /ək'sesəbl/ **adjective** **1** **82** easy to find or reach: *Information such as this is freely accessible to the public.* ◦ *The hotel is in a quiet but easily accessible part of the resort.* ▷ **dostępny, osiągalny** → Opposite **inaccessible** **2** easy to understand: *They are attempting to make opera accessible to a wider audience.*

▷ **przystępny**

• **accessibility** /ək'sesə'bɪləti/ **noun** [U] ▷ **dostępność, przystępność**

**accessory** /ək'sesəri/ **noun** [C] **1** something extra which is not necessary but is attractive or useful: [usually plural] *bathroom accessories* ◦ *computer accessories* ▷  **dodatek, ≈ akcesoria 2** formal someone who helps a criminal to commit a crime: *an accessory to murder* ▷ **współsprawca/czyni, współwinn/y/a**

**access provider** **noun** [C] a company that makes you able to use the Internet, so that you can use email and see or show documents ▷ **dostawca internetu**

**accident** /'æksɪdənt/ **noun** [C] **1** **82** something bad which happens that is not intended and which causes injury or damage: *a car/traffic accident* ◦ *She had an accident in the kitchen.* ◦ *I didn't mean to spill his drink. It was an accident.* ▷ **wypadek 2** **by accident 81** without being intended: *I deleted the wrong file by accident.* ▷ **przez przypadek, przypadkiem**

**Wyrazy występujące razem z accident**

have/be involved in an accident • an accident happens/occurs • a fatal/serious/tragic accident • [killed, paralyzed, etc] in an accident • a car/traffic accident

**accidental** /'æksɪ'dentə/ **adjective** **82** not intended: **accidental damage** ▷ **przypadkowy** • **accidentally** **adverb 82** *She accidentally knocked over a glass of red wine.* ▷ **przypadkowo**

**accident-prone** /'æksɪdənt'prəʊn/ **adjective** Someone who is accident-prone often has accidents. ▷ **podatny na wypadki**

**acclaim** /ə'kleɪm/ **noun** [U] praise from a lot of people: *international/critical acclaim* ▷ **uznanie**

## acclaimed

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**acclaimed** /ə'kleɪmd/ **adjective** praised by a lot of people: *the acclaimed singer and songwriter*  
▷ **centony**, **cieszący się uznaniem**

**acclimatize** (also UK **-ise**) /ə'klaɪmətaɪz/ **verb** [I, T] to start to feel happy with the weather, the way of life, etc in a new place, or to make someone do this ▷ **przyzwyczajając (się)**, **aklimatyzować (się)**

- **acclimatization** /ə'klaɪmətaɪ'zeɪʃən/ **noun** [U] ▷ **aklimatyzacja**

**accolade** /'ækələɪd/ **noun** [C] formal a prize or praise given to someone because they are very good at something ▷ **wyraz uznania**

**accommodate** /ə'kɒmədeɪt/ **verb** [T] **1** to have enough space somewhere for a number of things or people: *We need more roads to accommodate the increase in traffic.* ▷ **pomieścić** **2** to do what someone wants, often by providing them with something: *He requires special equipment and, where possible, we've accommodated those needs.* ▷ **zaspokajając, spełniać** **3** to provide someone with a place to live or stay: *The athletes will be accommodated in a special Olympic village.* ▷ **zakwaterować**

**accommodating** /ə'kɒmədeɪtɪŋ/ **adjective** willing to change your plans in order to help people ▷ **uczynny**

**accommodation** /ə'kɒmə'deɪʃən/ **noun** [U] **1** **31** (also US **accommodations** [plural]) a place where you live or stay: **rented accommodation**  
◦ *The price includes travel and accommodation.* ▷ **zakwaterowanie** **2** the way the lens in the eye changes depending on whether the thing it is looking at is close or far away ▷ **akomodacja**

**accompaniment** /ə'kʌmpə'nɪmənt/ **noun** **1** [C] formal something that is nice to eat or drink with a particular food or drink: *salmon with an accompaniment of green salad* ▷ **dodatek** **2** [C, U] music that is played with the main instrument or with a singing voice: *a song with piano accompaniment* ▷ **akompaniament**

**accompany** /ə'kʌmpəni/ **verb** [T] **1** formal **31** to go somewhere with someone: *We accompanied her back to her hotel.* ▷ **towarzyszyć** **2** **31** to happen or exist at the same time as something else: *The teachers' book is accompanied by a DVD.* ▷ **towarzyszyć, być w komplecie** **3** to play a musical instrument with someone else who is playing or singing ▷ **akompaniować**

**accomplice** /ə'kʌmplɪs/ **noun** [C] someone who helps a criminal to commit a crime ▷ **wspólni-k/czka**

**accomplish** /ə'kʌmplɪʃ/ **verb** [T] to succeed in doing something good: *I feel as if I've accomplished nothing all day.* ▷ **osiągać**

**accomplished** /ə'kʌmplɪʃt/ **adjective** having a lot of skill in art, music, writing, etc: *an accomplished musician/painter* ▷ **znakomity**

**accomplishment** /ə'kʌmplɪʃmənt/ **noun** **1** [U] when you succeed in doing something good:

*Finishing the course gave me a great sense of accomplishment.* ▷ **osiągnięcie** **2** [C] formal a skill in art, music, writing, etc ▷ **umiejętność**

**accord**<sup>1</sup> /ə'kɔ:d/ **noun** **1** of your own accord If you do something of your own accord, you choose to do it and no one else forces you: *Luckily, she left of her own accord.* ▷ **z własnej woli** **2** [C] an official agreement, especially between countries: *a peace/trade accord* ▷ **porozumienie**

**accord**<sup>2</sup> /ə'kɔ:d/ **verb** [T] formal to treat someone specially, usually by showing respect: *the respect accorded to doctors* ▷ **obdarzać**

**accordance** /ə'kɔ:dəns/ **noun** formal in accordance with sth agreeing with a rule, law, or wish: *Both companies have insisted that they were acting in accordance with the law.* ▷ **w zgodzie z czymś, zgodnie z czymś**

**accordingly** /ə'kɔ:dɪŋli/ **adverb** in a way that is suitable: *We'll wait until we hear the decision and act accordingly.* ▷ **stosownie, odpowiednio**

**according to** /ə'kɔ:dɪŋtu:/ **preposition** **1** **31** as said by someone or shown by something: *According to our records, she was absent last Friday.* ▷ **według** **2** **32** based on a particular system or plan: *Children are allocated to schools according to the area in which they live.* ▷ **według, zgodnie z**

**accordion** /ə'kɔ:dɪən/ **noun** [C] a musical instrument with a folding centre part and keyboards at both ends, which you play by pushing the two ends together ▷ **akordeon**

**accost** /ə'kɒst/ **verb** [T] If someone you do not know accosts you, they move towards you and start talking to you in an unfriendly way. ▷ **zaczepiać**

**account**<sup>1</sup> /ə'kaʊnt/ **noun** [C] **1** **32** a written or spoken description of something that has happened: *They gave conflicting accounts of the events.* ▷ **relacja** **2** (also **bank account**) **31** an arrangement with a bank to keep your money there and to let you take it out when you need to: *I paid the money into my account.* ▷ **konto, rachunek** **3** an agreement with a shop or company that allows you to buy things and pay for them later ▷ **rachunek** **4** **take sth into account; take account of sth** **32** to consider something when judging a situation: *You have to take into account the fact that he is less experienced when judging his performance.* ▷ **brać coś pod uwagę** **5** **on account of sth** formal **32** because of something: *He doesn't drink alcohol on account of his health.* ▷ **ze względu na coś** **6** **by all accounts** as said by a lot of people: *The party was, by all accounts, a great success.* ▷ **podobno** **7** **on my account** just for or because of me: *Please don't change your plans on my account.* ▷ **z mojego powodu** **8** **on no account; not on any account** UK not for any reason or in any situation: *On no account must these records be changed.* ▷ **pod żadnym**

**pozorem** → See also **checking account**, **current account**, **deposit account**

☑ Wyrazy występujące razem z **account**

give an account of sth • a brief/detailed/full account • an eye-witness/first-hand account • an account of sth  
close/open an account • have an account with [name of bank] • a joint/personal/savings account • an account holder/number

**account**<sup>2</sup> /ə'kaunt/ verb

PHRASAL VERB **account for sth 1** to be part of a total number of something: *Oil accounts for 40% of Norway's exports.* ▷ **stanowić coś 2** to be the reason for something, or to explain the reason for something: *She was asked to account for the missing money.* ▷ **wyjaśnić coś**

**accountable** /ə'kauntəbl/ adjective [never before noun] having to be responsible for what you do and able to explain your actions: *Hospitals must be held accountable for their mistakes.* • *Politicians should be accountable to the public that elects them.* ▷ **odpowiedzialny** → Opposite **unaccountable**

• **accountability** /ə'kauntə'bɪləti/ noun [U] ▷ **odpowiedzialność**

**accountancy** /ə'kauntənsi/ noun [U] UK (US **accounting**) the job of being an accountant ▷ **księgowość**

**accountant** /ə'kauntənt/ noun [C] 61 someone whose job is to keep or examine the financial records of a company or organization ▷ **księgow-y/a**

**accounting ratio** noun [C] any of several kinds of calculation used to understand financial accounts, for instance comparing money received with money owed ▷ **wskaznik finansowy**

**accounts** /ə'kaunts/ noun [plural] an official record of all the money a company or organization has received or paid ▷ **księgi (rachunkowe)**

**accreditation** /ə'kredɪ'teɪʃn/ noun [U] official approval of an organization ▷ **akredytacja**  
• **accredited** /ə'kredɪtɪd/ adjective officially approved ▷ **akredytowany**

**accrual** /ə'kru:əl/ noun [U] when something increases in number or amount over a period of time ▷ **przyrost**

**accrue** /ə'kru:/ verb [I] to increase in number or amount over a period of time: *Interest accrues at a rate of 6%.* ▷ **narastać**  
• **accrued** /ə'kru:d/ adjective *accrued interest* ▷ **narosły**

**accumulate** /ə'kju:mjəleɪt/ verb [I, T] to increase in amount over a period of time, or to make something increase over a period of time: *The chemicals accumulate in your body.* ▷ **gromadzić (się)**

• **accumulation** /ə'kju:mjə'leɪʃn/ noun [U] ▷ **nagromadzenie**

**accumulated fund** noun [C] the amount of money owned by an organization such as a club that does not sell things ▷ **skumulowany fundusz**

**accuracy** /'ækjərəsi/ noun [U] 62 how correct or exact something is: *The new system should help to improve the accuracy of weather forecasts.* ▷ **dokładność**

**accurate** /'ækjərət/ adjective 61 correct or exact: **accurate information/measurements**  
• *She was able to give police a fairly accurate description of the man.* ▷ **dokładny** → Opposite **inaccurate**

• **accurately** adverb 61 ▷ **dokładnie**

**accusation** /ækju:'zeɪʃn/ noun [C] when you say that someone has done something bad: *He made a number of accusations against his former colleagues.* ▷ **oskarżenie**

☑ Wyrazy występujące razem z **accusation**

make an accusation • deny/dismiss/face/reject an accusation • a false/wild accusation • accusations of sth • an accusation against sb • an accusation by/from sb

**accusative** /ə'kju:zətɪv/ noun [U] the form of a noun, pronoun or adjective which is used in some languages to show that the word is the direct object of a verb ▷ **biernik**

• **accusative adjective** ▷ **w bierniku**

**accuse** /ə'kju:z/ verb [T] 62 to say that someone has done something bad: *He was falsely accused of murder.* • [+ of + doing sth] *She accused Andrew of lying to her.* ▷ **oskarżać**

• **accuser** noun [C] ▷ **oskarżyciel/ka**

**the accused** /ə'kju:zd/ noun formal the person or people who are accused of a crime in a court of law ▷ **oskarżon-y/a**

**accusing** /ə'kju:zɪŋ/ adjective showing that you think someone is responsible for something bad: *Why are you giving me that accusing look?*

▷ **oskarżycielski**

• **accusingly** adverb *She looked at me accusingly.*

▷ **oskarżycielsko**

**accustom** /ə'kʌstəm/ verb

PHRASAL VERB **accustom yourself to sth/doing sth** to experience something often enough for it to seem normal to you ▷ **przywyzczać się do czegoś**

**accustomed** /ə'kʌstəmd/ adjective **accustomed to sth/doing sth** If you are accustomed to something, you have experienced it often enough for it to seem normal to you: *I've worked nights for years now so I've grown accustomed to it.* ▷ **przywyzczyjony do czegoś**

**ace**<sup>1</sup> /eɪs/ noun [C] 1 a playing card with one symbol on it, that has the highest or lowest value in many games ▷ **as 2** when the first shot

## ace

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by a tennis player is too good for the other player to hit back ▷ **as serwisowy**

**ace**<sup>2</sup> /eɪs/ **adjective** informal very good ▷ **bez-konkurencyjny**

**acetic acid** /əˈsiːtɪkˈæsɪd/ **noun** [U] a colourless acid with a strong smell which is contained in vinegar ▷  **kwas octowy**

**acetone** /ˈæsɪtəʊn/ **noun** [U] a strong-smelling colourless liquid which is used in the production of various chemicals and is sometimes added to paint to make it thinner ▷  **aceton**

**acetylene** /əˈsetəliːn/ **noun** [U] a colourless gas which burns with a very hot bright flame, used in cutting and joining metal (formula C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>2</sub>) ▷  **acetylen**

**ache**<sup>1</sup> /eɪk/ **noun** [C] **61** a feeling of pain over an area of your body which continues for a long time: *There's a dull ache in my right shoulder.* ▷  **ból** → See also  **stomach ache**

**ache**<sup>2</sup> /eɪk/ **verb** [I] **62** If a part of your body aches, it is painful: *My legs ache after all that exercise.* ▷  **boleć**

**achieve** /əˈtʃiːv/ **verb** [T] **61** to succeed in doing something good, usually by working hard: *I've achieved my ambition.* • *I've been working all day but I feel I've achieved nothing.* ▷  **osiągać**

• **achievable adjective** possible to achieve: **achievable goals** ▷ **osiągalny** • **achiever noun** [C] *He's from a family of high achievers (= very successful people).* ▷ **człowiek sukcesu**

**achievement** /əˈtʃiːvmənt/ **noun** **1** [C] **61** something good that you achieve: *This film is his greatest achievement to date.* ▷ **osiągnięcie** **2** [U] when you succeed in doing something good, usually by working hard: *You get such a sense of achievement when you finish the course.* ▷ **sukces**

Wyrazy występujące razem z **achievement**

a great/notable/outstanding/remarkable achievement • sb's crowning achievement • a sense of achievement

**acid**<sup>1</sup> /ˈæsɪd/ **noun** [C, U] **62** one of several liquid substances with a pH of less than 7 which react with other substances, often burning or dissolving them: *hydrochloric acid* ▷  **kwas**

**acid**<sup>2</sup> /ˈæsɪd/ **adjective** **1** (also **acidic** /əˈsɪdɪk/) containing acid, or having similar qualities to an acid: *acid soil* • *an acid smell/taste* ▷ **kwaśny** **2 acid remark/comment, etc** an unkind remark that criticizes someone ▷ **uszczypliwa uwaga**

**acidify** /əˈsɪdɪfaɪ/ **verb** [I, T] to become an acid or to make something become an acid ▷ **zakwaszać (się)**

**acidity** /əˈsɪdɪti/ **noun** [U] the amount of acid in a substance or in your stomach ▷ **kwasowość, nadkwasota**

**acid rain noun** [U] rain that contains chemicals

from pollution and damages plants, etc ▷ **kwaśny deszcz**

**acid salt noun** [C] a chemical compound that is formed when an acid has reacted with another substance to produce salt and water ▷ **sól kwaśna**

**acid test noun** [C, usually singular] a sure test of whether something is true or of good quality ▷ **próba ognia**

**acknowledge** /əkˈnɒlɪdʒ/ **verb** [T] **1** to accept that something is true or exists: [+ (that)] *He acknowledged that there was a problem.* ▷ **przyznawać** **2** to tell someone, usually in a letter, that you have received something they sent you: *Send a letter acknowledging receipt of his application.* ▷ **potwierdzać** **3** to let someone know that you have seen them, usually by saying hello: *She didn't even acknowledge my presence.* ▷ **zauważać, zwracać uwagę na**

Wyrazy występujące razem z **acknowledge**

be generally/widely/universally acknowledged • acknowledge sb/sth as/to be sth

**acknowledgement** (also **acknowledgment**) /əkˈnɒlɪdʒmənt/ **noun** **1** [C, U] when you accept that something is true or exists: *There was no acknowledgement of the extent of the problem.*

▷ **przyznanie** **2** [C] a letter telling you that someone has received something that you sent them ▷ **potwierdzenie (odbioru)** **3** [C] something written at the front of a book by the author to thank people who have helped them: [usually plural] *His name appears in the acknowledgements.* ▷ **podziękowanie**

**acne** /ˈækni/ **noun** [U] a skin problem that young people often have that causes spots on the face ▷ **trądzik**

**acorn** /ˈeɪkɔːn/ **noun**

[C] an oval nut which grows on oak trees

▷ **żołędź**

acorn



**acoustic** /əˈkuːstɪk/

**adjective** **1** [always before noun] An acoustic musical instrument does not use electricity: *an acoustic guitar* ▷ **akustyczny** **2** relating to sound and hearing ▷ **akustyczny**

**acoustics** /əˈkuːstɪks/ **noun** [plural] the way in which the shape of a room affects the quality of sound: *The acoustics of the hall were terrible.* ▷ **akustyka**

**acquaintance** /əˈkweɪntəns/ **noun** [C] someone who you know but do not know well: *He's just a business acquaintance.* ▷ **znajom-y/a**

**acquainted** /əˈkweɪntɪd/ **adjective** [never before noun] formal **1** If you are acquainted with someone, you have met them but do not know them well: *We're already acquainted – we met at Elaine's party.* ▷ **zaznajomiony, ≈ znać się** **2 be acquainted with sth** to know about something:



*I'm afraid I'm not yet acquainted with the system.*  
 ▷ **być zaznajomionym lub zapoznanym z czymś**

**acquiesce** /ækwi'eɪs/ verb [I] formal to agree to something, often when you do not want to  
 ▷ **przystawać**

• **acquiescence** noun [U] formal ▷ **zgoda, przyzwolenie**

**acquire** /ə'kwɪəɪə/ verb [T] **1** **32** to get something: *I managed to acquire a copy of the report.*  
 ▷ **wchodzić w posiadanie 2** **32** to learn something: *to acquire knowledge/skills* ▷ **nabywać, posiadać, przyswajać sobie**

**acquisition** /ækwi'ziʃn/ noun **1** [U] the process of learning or getting something: *children's acquisition of language* ▷ **przyswajanie (sobie)**  
**2** [C] something that you get, usually by buying it: *And the hat – is that a recent acquisition?*  
 ▷ **nabytek**

**acquit** /ə'kwɪt/ verb [T] (present participle **acquitting**, past tense and past participle **acquitted**) If someone is acquitted of a crime, a court of law decides that they are not guilty: [often passive] *Both men were acquitted of murder.* ▷ **uniewinniać**

**acquittal** /ə'kwɪtəl/ noun [C, U] when a court of law decides that someone is not guilty of a crime  
 ▷ **wyrok uniewinniający, uniewinnienie**

**acre** /'eɪkə/ noun [C] a unit for measuring area, equal to 4047 square metres ▷ **akr (= 0,4047 hektara)**

**acid** /'ækrɪd/ adjective An acid smell is unpleasant and causes a burning feeling in your throat. ▷ **gryzący**

**acrimonious** /ækri'məniəs/ adjective involving a lot of anger, disagreement, and bad feelings: *an acrimonious divorce* ▷ **zaciekły**  
 • **acrimony** /'ækri'məni/ noun [U] angry, bad feelings between people ▷ **zaciekłość**

**acrobat** /'ækroʊbæt/ noun [C] someone who entertains people by performing difficult physical acts, such as walking on a wire high above the ground ▷ **akrobat-a/ka**  
 • **acrobatic** /ækroʊ'bætɪk/ adjective ▷ **akrobacyjny** • **acrobatics** /ækroʊ'bætɪks/ noun [plural] the actions of an acrobat ▷ **akrobacje**

**acronym** /'ækronɪm/ noun [C] a word made from the first letters of other words: *AIDS is the acronym for 'acquired immune deficiency syndrome'.* ▷ **akronim, skrótowiec**

**across** /ə'krɒs/ adverb, preposition **1** **42** from one side of something to the other: *I was walking across the road.* • *They've built a new bridge across the river.* ▷ **przez, w poprzek 2** **42** on the opposite side of: *There's a library just across the street.* ▷ **po drugiej stronie 3** used after a measurement to show how wide something is: *The window measures two metres across.*  
 ▷ **na szerokość, szerokości, w poprzek**

**acrylic** /ə'krɪlɪk/ noun **1** [U] a type of cloth or plastic produced by chemical processes ▷ **akryl**

**2** [C, usually singular] a type of paint ▷ **farba akrylowa**

• **acrylic adjective acrylic paints** ▷ **akrylowy**

**act<sup>1</sup>** /ækt/ verb **1** [I] **81** to behave in a particular way: *to act responsibly* • *Jeff's been acting strangely recently.* • *Stop acting like a child!*  
 ▷ **zachowywać się 2** [I] **32** to do something, especially in order to solve a problem: *We have to act now to stop the spread of this disease.*  
 ▷ **działać 3** [I, T] **31** to perform in a play or film: *He's acted in a number of successful Hollywood films.* ▷ **grać, występować**

PHRASAL VERBS **act as sth 1** **32** to do a particular job, especially one you do not normally do: *He was asked to act as an adviser on the project.*

▷ **występować jako ktoś lub w roli kogoś, pełnić rolę kogoś 2** to have a particular effect: *Caffeine acts as a stimulant.* ▷ **mieć jakieś działania, działać jakoś** • **act sth out** to perform the actions and words of a situation or story: *The children acted out a verse from their favourite poem.* ▷ **odgrywać coś** • **act up** If someone, especially a child, acts up, they behave badly. ▷ **źle się zachowywać, przysparzać kłopotów**

**act<sup>2</sup>** /ækt/ noun **1** [C] **32** something that someone does: *an act of terrorism/kindness*  
 ▷ **akt, czyn 2** [C] a law made by a government: *an act of Congress/Parliament* ▷ **ustawa, akt (prawny) 3** [C] **31** one of the parts a play is divided into: *Her character doesn't appear until Act 2.* ▷ **akt 4** [C] one or several performers who perform for a short while in a show: *a comedy double act* ▷ **numer 5** [no plural] behaviour which hides your real feelings or intentions: *Was she really upset or was that just an act?* ▷ **poza 6 in the act (of doing sth)** doing something wrong: *I caught him in the act of opening one of my letters.* ▷ **na gorącym uczynku (jak ...)**

IDIOMS **get your act together** informal to organize your activities so that you can make progress ▷ **sprężyć się** • **get in on the act** informal to become involved in something successful that someone else has started ▷ **podłączyć się**

Wyrazy występujące razem z **act**

an act of sth • commit an act • a barbaric/cowardly act • a criminal/terrorist act

**acting<sup>1</sup>** /'æktɪŋ/ adjective **acting chairman/director, etc** someone who does a job for a short time while the person who usually does it is not there ▷ **pełniący obowiązki prezesa/dyrektora itp.**

**acting<sup>2</sup>** /'æktɪŋ/ noun [U] the job of performing in plays and films: *He's trying to get into acting.*  
 ▷ **aktorstwo**

**action** /'ækʃn/ noun **1** [C, U] **32** something that you do: *She has to accept the consequences of her actions.* • *We must take action (= do something)*

## action-packed

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before the problem gets worse. ◦ So what do you think is the best **course of action** (= way of dealing with the situation)? ◦ It was the first time I'd seen firemen **in action** (= doing a particular activity). ▷ **działanie, czyn, akcja** 2 [U] ③ things which are happening, especially exciting or important things: *He likes films with a lot of action.* ▷ **akcja** → Opposite **inaction** 3 out of **action** damaged or hurt and not able to operate or play sports: *They've got three players out of action.* ▷ **nieczynny, niesprawny, wyłączony z gry** 4 **legal action** a legal process in a court: *They are planning to take legal action against the company.* ▷ **kroki prawne, postępowanie (prawne)** 5 [U] fighting in a war: *He was killed in action* (= while fighting). ▷ ≈ **na polu bitwy** 6 [no plural] a movement or natural process: *The rocks are smoothed by the action of water.* ▷ **działanie** → See also **industrial action, be all talk (and no action)**

**action-packed** /'æktʃn.pækt/ adjective An action-packed film or story has a lot of exciting events. ▷ **z wartką akcją**

**action** 'replay noun [C] UK (US **instant replay**) when part of a film of a sporting event is shown again, often more slowly ▷ **powtórka, replay**

**activate** /'æktɪveɪt/ verb [T] to make something start working: *The alarm can be activated by a laser beam.* ▷ **uruchamiać, aktywować**

**active** /'æktɪv/ adjective 1 ② very involved in an organization or planned activity: *He played an active role in the campaign.* ▷ **czynny, aktywny** 2 ③ doing a lot of things, or moving around a lot: *Even at the age of 80 she's still very active.* ▷ **pełen wigoru, energiczny** 3 ④ An active verb or sentence is one in which the subject of the verb is the person or thing doing the action. For example 'Andy drove the car.' is an active sentence. ▷ **w stronie czynnej** → Compare **passive** 4 An active volcano could throw out rocks, fire, etc at any time. ▷ **aktywny**

**active immunity** noun [U] when the body produces its own antibodies ▷ **odporność czynna**

**actively** /'æktɪvli/ adverb ② in a way that causes something to happen: *He actively encourages me to spend money.* ▷ **czynnie, aktywnie**

**active transport** noun [U] the process by which molecules can pass through a membrane from an area where there are not many of them into an area where there are a lot of them ▷ **transport aktywny**

**activist** /'æktɪvɪst/ noun [C] someone who tries to cause social or political change: *a political activist* ▷ **aktywist-a/ka**  
• **activism** noun [U] ▷ **działalność, aktywizm**

**activity** /æk'tɪvəti/ noun 1 [C] ② something which you do for enjoyment, especially an organized event: *The centre offers a range of activities, such as cycling, swimming, and tennis.*

▷ **zajęcie** 2 [C, U] ② the work of a group or organization to achieve an aim: **criminal/terrorist activities** ▷ **działalność, działanie** 3 [U] ② when a lot of things are happening or people are moving around: *There was a sudden flurry of activity* (= short period of activity) *at the back of the hall.* ▷ **poruszenie, zamieszanie** → Opposite **inactivity**

## Wyrazy występujące razem z activity

do/perform an activity • frantic/strenuous activity • outdoor/leisure activity • a flurry of activity

**actor** /'æktər/ noun [C] ② someone, especially a man, whose job is to perform in plays and films  
▷ **aktor**

**actress** /'æktɪtrəs/ noun [C] a woman whose job is to perform in plays and films ▷ **aktorka**

**actual** /'æktʃuəl/ adjective 1 ② real, not guessed or imagined: *We were expecting about fifty people, though the actual number was a lot higher.* ▷ **faktyczny, rzeczywisty** 2 **in actual fact** UK ② really: *It was due to start at ten, but in actual fact, it didn't begin until nearly eleven.* ▷ **w praktyce, w rzeczywistości**

**actually** /'æktʃuəli/ adverb 1 ② used when you are saying what is the truth of a situation: *He didn't actually say anything important.* ▷ **właściwie, (tak) naprawdę, faktycznie** 2 ③ used when you are saying something surprising: *She sounds English but she's actually Spanish.* ◦ *Did you actually meet the president?* ▷ **właściwie, (tak) naprawdę** 3 mainly UK ③ used when you are disagreeing with someone or saying no to a request: *"You didn't tell me." "Actually, I did."* ◦ *"Do you mind if I smoke?" "Actually, I'd rather you didn't."* ▷ **właśnie że, actually nie oznacza aktualnie; aktualnie to currently**

**acumen** /'ækjʊməŋ/ noun [U] the ability to make good judgments and decisions: **business/political acumen** ▷ **dar, wyczuć**

**acupuncture** /'ækjʊpʌŋktʃər/ noun [U] a way of treating pain or illness by putting thin needles into different parts of the body ▷ **akupunktura**

**acute** /ə'kjʊt/ adjective 1 An acute problem or negative feeling is extreme: *There's an acute shortage of medical staff.* ◦ **acute pain** ◦ **acute anxiety** ▷ **ostry, dotkliwy** 2 An acute angle is less than 90 degrees. ▷ **ostry** 3 quick to notice or understand things: *an acute mind* ◦ *Dogs rely on their acute sense of smell.* ▷ **przenikliwy, czuły**

**acute accent** noun [C] a mark which is written above a letter in some languages, e.g. 'é', showing you how to pronounce the letter  
▷ **akcent rosnący lub akutowy**

**acutely** /ə'kjʊtli/ adverb very strongly: *I was acutely aware of how Alex felt about the situation.* ▷ **wyraźnie**

**AD** /,eɪ'di:/ abbreviation for Anno Domini: used to